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April 1945.

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Annual Report as Medical Officer of Health for the year 1944 prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Ministry of Health.

TABLE A.

The only action which has had to be taken respecting the conditions existing on boats entering the Port was in the extermination of bugs. Gassing and spraying operations were carried out successfully.

TABLES C & D.

No cases of infectious disease have been notified to the Port Medical Officer of Health during the year.

TABLES E & F.

It is impossible to give a definite total of rats killed in and around the Port, as gassing operations, as well as poisoning with Zinc Phosphide, were carried out during the year.

On the bank of the river there is a portion of land used by the Council for controlled tipping, and this being the main infestation in the whole area, has received constant attention during the year. Good results have been obtained with poisoning and gassing and the estimated number of rats killed accoding to the Ministry of Food formula is 900.

On only one vessel were there any traces of rats, and poisoning operations were carried out.

FOOD INSPECTION.

No foodstuffs have entered the Port during the year, and it has not been necessary to take any action under the Public Health (Shellfish) Regulations 1934.

STAFF.

Mr.J.L.McGarry acts as Health Inspector for the Port of Littlehampton as well as for the Littlehampton Urban District.

I desire to express my appreciation of the work Mr.McGarry has carried out and also my thanks to the Officer in Charge of the Customs for his co-operation at all times.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R. H. Wilshaw.

Medical Officer of Health.

To the Chairman and Members of the
Littlehampton Port Health Authority.